ETEXT ATTACHMENT

October 3, 2002

Mr. Erik Koeppen
Campaign Finance Analyst
Federal Election Commission

RE: ID# C00084368 August Monthly Report (7/1/02-7/31/02)

Dear Mr. Koeppen:

This is in response to your letter dated September 25, 2002 regarding expenditures for "Advertising" and "Yard Signs."

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The "Advertising" expenditure was made on behalf of the Mississippi Republican Party and did not name any candidates.

The "Yard Signs" expenditure was an exempt expenditure for Chip Pickering for Congress, P. O. Box 6440, Laurel, MS 3944-1-6440, candidate for the 3rd Congressional District in Mississippi. This expenditure has been reported on Schedule B in an amended report (FEC-51850) filed this date. A transfer of \$9,045.24 will be made from the federal account to the non-federal account to refund the transfer made in July for this exempt expenditure which was erroneously reported as joint activity on Schedule H-4.

Thank you for advising us of this error and allowing us to correct it.

Sincerely,

Carol Hardwick, Assistant Treasurer Mississippi Republican Party